

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application Serial No. 09/989,722	)	Confirmation No. 1427
	)	
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For: <b>SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE</b>	)	<b>Customer No. 35489</b>
<b>POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC</b>	)	
<b>ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME</b>	)	

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 16, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20070412), please consider the following arguments. This Response is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory time period set for the response and requires no extension of time.

**Amendments to Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.